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1999 SGA Elections

New voting procedures add spark to uncontested election race

By Chris Keller
NEWS EDITOR

The fact facing potential SGA President Andrew Halverson is the aspect of an uncontested race.

With only one ticket on this year's SGA election ballot, to say the Halverson/Ryann Nelson ticket are the odds on favorite is overstating the obvious.

To Halverson, the lack of a challenger doesn't remove the seriousness.



SGA Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates Andrew Halverson (right), and Ryann Nelson. (Photo by Nathan T. Wallin)

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"The president of the student body is a position that requires the utmost care, determination and

work ethic for success of any position held by a student at the university," Halverson said. "I know even though we are running uncontested, Ryann Nelson and I are, I believe, the two best people for these positions."

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Students to vote on varsity status

By Christina Summers
NEWS EDITOR

Students will soon have the chance to decide whether or not women's hockey will become a varsity sport at UW-Stevens Point.

SGA will be sending a two-part mass e-mail to all UW-SP students concerning the fate of women's hockey after spring break, according to Jeff Buhrandt, vice president of SGA.

The first e-mail will consist of an informational campaign, designed to inform students about the situation.

"We want students to be aware of Title IX and the fact that UW-SP has more men's participation in sports than women's, even though we have a greater female population on this campus," said Jeff Buhrandt.

The Title IX Amendment states that participation in varsity athletics must be proportional to the student body makeup.

If a university does not meet standards concerning equal representation, it must be making steps toward reaching this equity.

"This is our chance to move toward equity in our athletic programs, and it is another option to cutting one or two men's sports to reach it," said Buhrandt.

The second e-mail will consist of a survey, where students can vote if they are in favor of women's hockey gaining varsity status or not.

"SGA hopes most students will participate in the survey and show support for UW-SP athletics.

"Students have a great opportunity to help UW-

SP move toward equity in athletics," said Buhrandt.

If the proposal passes, women's hockey will be a varsity sport in the year 2000, and next season will be devoted to strengthening the team to make it more competitive.

SGA hopes to bring a full-time paid coach to the team if it does become varsity.

"If students do vote in favor of varsity status, we want to start building up the team right away, so it will be ready to compete in the year 2000," said Buhrandt.

A faculty consensus on the issue must also be reached.

According to Gene Johnson, chairman of the Athletic Committee, the UW-SP Faculty Senate Executive Committee was briefed on the proposal last week.

"What I'm expecting them to do is to make a final suggestion to Chancellor George," Johnson said. "The Exec committee will be meeting one more time and the issue will be discussed again, although the meeting has not been scheduled."

A contestant's confusion

Did nudity play a part in determining the winner of Bruiser's bikini contest?



As the crowd gave its approval, several contestants felt the need to remove articles of clothing during Bruiser's "Bikini and Boxershort" contest last Thursday evening. (Photo by Nathan T. Wallin)

By Ethan J. Meyer and
Nathan T. Wallin
NEWS REPORTERS

The winner of a bikini contest, the most recent in a series at Bruiser's, a popular dance club located in downtown Stevens Point, may not have won solely on the swimsuit she was wearing, according to eyewitnesses.

The bikini contest consisted of six female participants, four of whom removed their clothing in some way. According to reports, a number of males also removed their clothing.

Three of the four who "stripped" were chosen for the finals, where they competed for \$200.

When asked if she felt pressured by the crowd to strip, a female contestant, speaking anonymously, said, "Obviously there was pressure, but I wasn't going to."

She added the nudity was not to her liking, and the winning female should have been disqualified for breaking the rules.

When asked if the thought of removing

clothes was necessary for the contest's participants to have a chance at winning, Clint Wos said peer pressure played a large part.

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"I thought it was weird that the girls had to show nudity to win."
— Sara McDermott,
a judge in the men's competition

Everything's just ducky in Point



Spring arrives early for one duck walking around Pfiffner Park this week. (Photo by Nathan T. Wallin)

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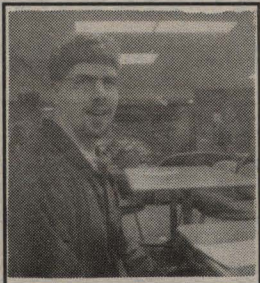
March: Did it enter roaring like a lion or gentle like a lamb?



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Chad Thomack
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"I'd say definitely like a lamb. Shoot the lion!"

"Like a lamb, at least there wasn't any snow!"

"A lamb, because we only got bit by the lion in January."

"Like a lamb, because even though it hasn't been too bad, I've still been able to bike."

UW-SP's diversity plan nearly finalized

By Erin Yotko
NEWS REPORTER

With UW-Stevens Point's draft of "Plan 2008: A Culture of Diversity" nearing completion, students and faculty can look forward to its implementation and the fulfillment of its goals.

"One major goal of a college education," according to UW-Stevens Point Chancellor Thomas George, "is to prepare students for productive professional and personal lives into the next century."

Critical to realizing this goal is building appreciation and respect for diversity in all of its varied forms.

It is hoped that by the year 2008, the multicultural diversity of students, faculty and staff on the UW-SP campus will be significantly increased.

It is hoped that mailings to prospective students and parents, personal visits to those who have been accepted and more high school recruitment visits will aid in opening the eyes of students to the opportunities available to them at UW-SP.

Diverse faculty and staff will be given a greater chance to incorporate into their curriculum lessons dealing with racial, ethnic and cultural issues.

"We want to bring a greater appreciation for different races and cultures to the university," said Ron Strege, director of Multicultural Affairs. "It's important for all students to understand that everyone, no matter what background they may come from, has something to contribute to school."

The plan also calls for 70 percent of all classes that are currently offered to contain some materials and information pertinent to diversity. For example, a biology lab could discuss biologists of different cultures and races who have made significant contributions to that field of study.

"This plan is a big step toward increasing diversity on this campus," said Davida Smith, SGA director of Student Life Issues and one of those instrumental in writing the draft. "I think it has goals that we can reach, but we're really going to have to work at it. We want people to care about improving this campus, and who want to make a difference in the lives of students here."

Once the draft is completed, said Smith, a forum will be held, where multicultural students will have the opportunity to express their opinions on the plan and make suggestions that could further ensure its success.

Changing the status quo

Proposal could change members of the UW Board of Regents

By Chris Keller
NEWS EDITOR

A resolution drafted by members of the Associated Students of Madison, the university's governing student body, would place students onto the Board of Regents through an election.

The bill's language calls for an 18 member board with six students. Currently, one student sits on the UW-System's governing body.

"I'm in favor of this resolution. The current power that the Board of Regents has is enough to justify it being an elected body with the possibility of full tuition flexibility, as proposed in the 1999-2001 biennial budget," said Michael Synder, UW-Stevens Point's SGA President.

"If the proposed tuition flexibility is passed, it's imperative that those in charge of setting tu-

ition be an elected, representative body."

Currently, one student sits on the Board of Regents, and is appointed by the governor to a two-year term.

Grant Staszak, a student from UW-River Falls, currently serves in this capacity. His term is up at the end of this year.

A similar idea is being sent around the system, adding a higher degree of effect.

Drafted by Henry Fox, a student at UW-Madison, this idea calls for five students to be added to the Board of Regents.

Both proposals address the need for greater student representation in the decisions having to do with tuition, a point Synder feels very strongly about.

"In the spirit of shared governance, it's only logical that at least one-third of the persons serving on the board be students," he said.

For whom the bell tolls...



Saint Peter's Church offers a beautiful backdrop on this early spring day. (Photo by Nathan T. Wallin)

THE LATEST SCOOP

WORLD NATIONAL STATE

UGANDA

• Soldiers from the countries of Uganda and Rwanda began a manhunt Wednesday for Rwandan rebels who killed eight foreign tourists visiting a jungle made famous by the 1988 film, "Gorillas in the Mist."

Two Americans, four Britains and two New Zealanders were killed Monday after the Congo-based Hutu rebels raided the tourist camps.

Seventeen others escaped the rebels' raid of the tourist camp.

WASHINGTON D.C.

• Republican congressional leaders began to discuss ways to end the long-standing practice of using Social Security money for other purposes. The plan would allow Congress to dip into Social Security funds for the next several years but then wall off the funds from the rest of the Federal budget.

SAN FRANCISCO

• After years of negotiations, federal and California officials and the Pacific Lumber Company agreed to a deal that will turn the largest privately owned grove of ancient redwood trees in the world into a public preserve. The deal will preserve about 10,000 acres of giant redwoods in northern California's Humboldt County.

MADISON

• UW-Madison faculty abolished, for the most part, a code that would hold faculty responsible for offensive speech, by deleting a punishment provision that would have allowed for discipline in some circumstances.

APPLETON

• A Wisconsin lawmaker has proposed the creation of a web site posting the names and addresses of the top 100 delinquent taxpayers in the state.

Campus Beat



Monday, March 1

• Campus Security received a report of a possible theft suspect in the Fine Arts Building. An officer responded, but was unable to locate him.

• Skateboarders were reported near the LRC. When the Student Security patrol arrived, the skateboarders were leaving and no confrontation was made.

Thursday, Feb. 25

• The day care center reported a group of kids fighting, swearing and smoking across the street from Nelson Hall.

Friday, Feb. 26

• The Stevens Point Police Department reported an abandoned 911 call from a third floor room in Roach Hall. When officers arrived, no one was found in the room.

Saturday, Feb. 27

• A second floor room in Hansen Hall was without power. Officer was able to restore power to the room.

Tuesday, March 2

• A professor reported an unattended briefcase in the east stairwell of the Science Building.

• A report was received regarding a group of skateboarders jumping on and off of benches, located at the south end of the Science Building.

• A fire alarm was activated in the LRC by someone burning popcorn. An electrician and 911 were notified.

New voting options aim to increase student turnout, ease of process

SGA hopes on-line voting will attract students

After a large student turnout for a referendum vote last October, SGA hopes to increase voting numbers for the presidential elections next week.

Last year's presidential elections brought in just 506 total votes.

In order to make the voting process less time consuming and easier for all students, a web site has been established for students wishing to vote electronically.

While the standard voting booth in the University Center Concourse and Debot Center

will be operated by SGA, the website allows students to vote without leaving a computer lab.

"With this web site set up, there's no excuse for students not to voice their opinion in this election," said Chris Keller, chairman of the Election Committee.

Students will receive a notice via e-mail informing them of the web site address, <http://uwsp.edu.org.sga.vote>. A simple click of the mouse will take them to the site. After entering the logon ID and password, a student will select from his/her college, and place a vote. Each enrolled stu-

dent will be allowed only one vote.

Write-in votes will still be accepted, however, all write-in ballots must either be filled out in person, at the U.C. voting booth, at the Debot Center booth or e-mailed to the address on the web site.

Students need to bring their university I.D. to both the U.C. and Debot locations.

Any student found to have voted more than once between the three locations will have all votes rendered invalid.

When AND where CAN I vote?

Tues. March 9 Wed. March 10 Thr. March 11

BEGINNING AT 8 A.M. Via website ENDING AT 5 P.M.

BEGINNING AT 9 A.M. U.C. Concourse ENDING AT 3 P.M.

The Debot Center booth will be operated on Tues. only, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

SGA: Elections next week

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With a combined three years of SGA experience behind them, the pair brings a wide array of insights, easily putting the sum above the individual parts.

"Ryann brings to the ticket a vast knowledge that crosses so many ideological boundaries," Halverson said. "She will be able to know, every aspect of student organizations."

"I feel that Andrew is an ideal leader within

student governance,"

Nelson said.

"He is a person who will fight for student's rights and stand up for the student voice at UW-Stevens Point."

"I know even though we are running uncontested, Ryann Nelson and I are, I believe, the two best people for these positions."

— Andrew Halverson, SGA Presidential hopeful

the university, including the amount of segregated fees charged to students.

"I plan on taking a strong look at the fee structure, so we can see a lessened increase on an annual basis," Nelson said. "I hope to increase student involvement through SGA on this aspect, as well as increase student awareness about the role of SGA as the primary voice of the students."

Increasing students' presence

throughout the university picture is also a goal for the coming year if elected. Comparing students in the 1960s rallying around the Vietnam War, the Halverson/

Nelson ticket hopes to raise a few issues that can become an area for students to work together on.

"One of the most important is financial aid. I think that we as a demographic need to direct a lot of personal attention to this area," Halverson said. "Whether it be on the state level, federal level, or even the White House, students need to try and get initiatives through the legislatures to increase the government's stance on students."

SGA elections will be held next Tuesday through Thursday and all enrolled students are urged to participate.

Among the issues targeted by their campaign, Halverson and Nelson want to inform students of their rights under the Wisconsin law (3609.5) that allows a say in university governance.

"It's a precious right that is granted to university students of this state, by a state law, which is a right that we cannot ignore as students," Halverson said. "We must tap the power of that statue in any way, shape or form at this university. That's my ultimate goal if elected your president."

Nelson, if elected vice president, will be focusing largely on the shared governance aspect of

Call Chris or Christina at 346-2249, if you see news happening, or if you are interested in writing for *The Pointer*.

Poms runner-up in national competition



Members of the second-place Americup Championships include: (Front Row, from left) Angie Burmeister, Kelli Esenberg, Shandy Heatwole (Second Row) Traci Bliven, Jane Krepsky, Tara Schubert, Jessica Pigeon, Nikki Groshek (Third Row) Hilliary Murphy, Amanda Freund, Julie Nawrocki, Beth McAllister, Cathy Danko, Angie Hofschulte. Not pictured: Jill Pynenberg. (Submitted Photo)

By Mike Kemmeter
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

The UW-Stevens Point pompon team is again among the nation's best.

One year after winning a national competition, the Point squad finished second in its division at the Americup National Championships in Minneapolis last weekend.

Competing in the Collegiate Dance - Hip Hop/Funk category, the Pointers took runner-up honors behind first place St. Thomas Univ. of Minn.

"It was kind of a letdown," pompon co-captain Shandy Heatwole said. "The team that won was in the wrong category."

UW-SP performed its routine twice during the two-day competition in front of separate judges.

After the first day of competition, the Pointer squad was in first place, however, the second panel of judges gave St. Thomas better scores.

The winner was determined by averaging the scores from both panels.

The UW-SP cheer team also competed in the event, but had some bad breaks on the second day and finished fourth.

Competing in the six-team Collegiate Cheer and Dance Category, the Pointers were in third place after the first day.

"We had a little bit of bad luck the second day," cheer co-captain Jennifer Henning said. "The first day went really well for us. We had a rough day in the second day."

"We were talking about going to another competition. We think we can do better," Henning said. "We want to get another crack at it."

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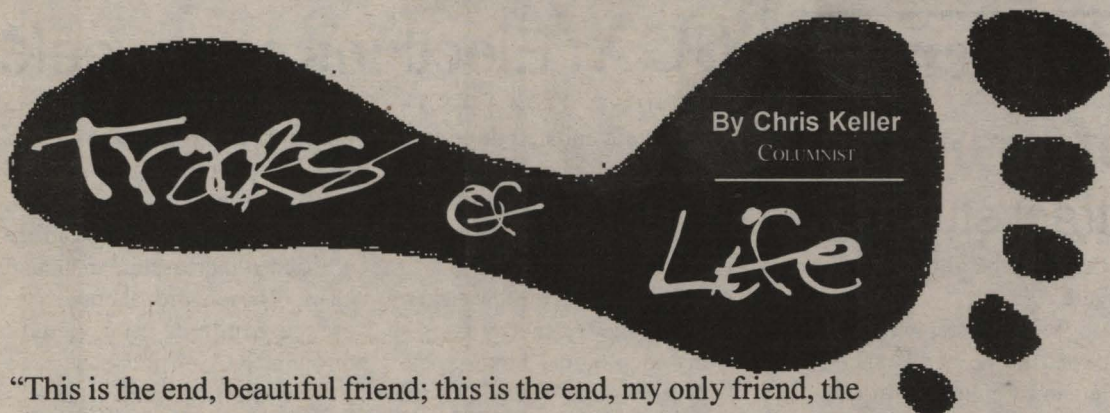
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I have been lying through this column the entire year. All my wishing and hoping for this mundane populous of students to awaken and enjoy the fruits of the day have been nothing more than an act; a desperate attempt to find something inside myself.

The hours past have taught me an important lesson about the days and nights of our human existence. In front of me, a path lies, somewhat worn and somewhat known.

In urging others to follow me down this path, I never once contemplated what the journey would be like alone.

For I have found the notion of fright within myself. No matter how hard I try, I cannot place one foot in front of the other to walk down this wondrous path.

It seems as though the one gift, the one virtuous thing I have

been searching my entire life for, which now lies before me, scares me beyond belief. As the elusive quality is in reach, I feel the sweat dripping from my brow, anxious while I'm taunted with the idea of actually being loved by another human.

After all, that's all anybody really wants from this world. All the BS from day to day; needless distractions and endless confusion pale in comparison to three little words uttered beneath a soft breath.

Yet, I am scared of this human necessity. I'm scared of not being good enough for this love, a feeling that has haunted me forever; scared of not making the right choices in accepting, or running from this love.

Scared of the fact that a person can love flaws a mile-wide and imperfections so obvious to my reflection in the mirror.

Instead of owning up to these fears and concerns or admitting that I was at fault, I brought out the worst aspect of the human race in myself. I turned my self-doubt upon her and made her suffer for my own self-consciousness.

I gave up, not once or twice, but several times, rather than embrace the opportunity fully and completely.

I gave up so I wouldn't have to face my own shortcomings as a person; a fact I will regret until my death. Thanks to my naivete, I walk alone, down a desolate corridor. The once sunny path has made way for dark walls and sheltered solitude.

Love has been labeled many things, by many people. Above all, love is bold and begs to be heard. The sad fact remains for those like myself, love is not for the naive; it is not for timid.

Student sounds off on laptop proposal

Dear Editor:

The laptop policy under consideration is a terrible idea. One of the things that makes UW-Stevens Point a great college is it offers a quality education for much less than other colleges across America. The tuition is kept at a low level by eliminating unnecessary costs from the curriculum.

This proposed policy requires students to buy or lease a very expensive computer and it is a very unnecessary expense. Laptops are unfeasible for many reasons.

First, let's consider the expense. (These prices are all retail and taken from www.pricewatch.com.) For a new top-of-the-line computer, it would cost about \$1,000-\$1,200. This computer would outperform most laptops and can be upgraded.

In four to five years or so the university could upgrade the most out-of-date parts (hard drive, RAM, motherboard, CD-ROM and case) of the computer for about \$600. These computers lack portability, but save the university tons of money.

The top of the line laptop is almost \$2,000. In five years they will be worthless because they can't be upgraded. Auction them off for ridiculous prices or use them as paperweights if you want, because these computers can no longer do the things that college students demand of them.

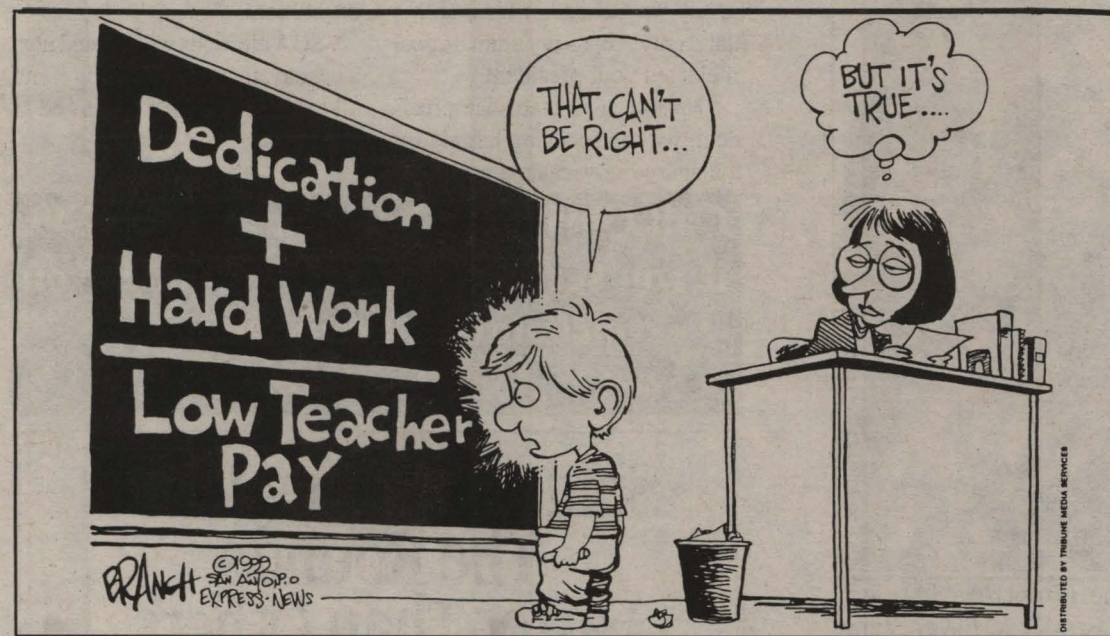
The university has stated that the computer labs are crowded and that laptops would help solve the problem, but the university could just as easily lease PCs at a greatly reduced cost.

A second reason laptops are a bad idea is that they are required! If I have an awesome computer in my dorm room, do I really need a laptop computer? This plan requires people to pay an extra \$700 per year for something they might not need.

A third reason that laptops are a bad idea is that they are easily stolen and broken. Laptops are very fragile computers and without proper care can easily be destroyed. Most students, in my opinion, do not know enough about computers to properly care for and use laptops.

I don't know how many times I have sat at a residence hall computer terminal and found a hand-written note that said "this computer doesn't work," when somebody left a disk in the drive and the

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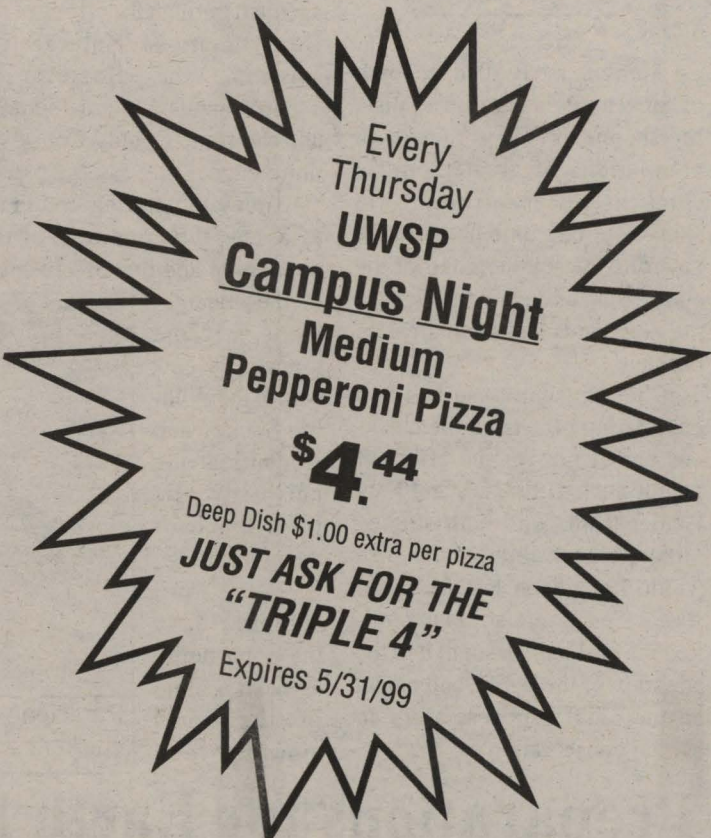
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Domino's Pizza is now hiring. Delivery drivers earn up to \$10.00 per hour.

Prairie chicken study continues

By Dave Miller

WILDLIFE SOCIETY PRESIDENT

Approximately 20 miles south of Stevens Point at Buena Vista Marsh, one of the last remaining populations of greater prairie chickens resides. The prairie chicken at one time had a range covering the southern half of the state, being abundant throughout the grasslands and open areas of the state.

Changing land-use has had devastating effects on the chickens and if not for the effort of people such as Frances and Fred Hamerstrom, who both studied under Aldo Leopold, the bird would have been lost from our state. The Hamerstoms identified the problem, brought it to the attention of the public and began an incredible success story in habitat conservation.

Today over 15,000 acres have been acquired at Buena Vista Marsh for prairie chicken management through the efforts of the Department of Natural Resources, the Society of Tympanuchus Cupido Pinnatus and the Dane County Conservation League.

Today monitoring continues to assess the condition of the population and the effectiveness

of the management at the marsh. Members of the Wildlife Society and students at the university perform much of the monitoring.

Every April students have the opportunity to sit in a blind in the early morning and

count the male prairie chickens performing their yearly mating dance. The performance is known as "booming" for the sound the males make. Congregating in groups called "leks" the males try to out-perform each other to win the attention and the chance to mate with females which visit the grounds.

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Participants in this study get to see prairie chickens up close. (Photo by D. De La Ronde)

Preparations for Earth Day: How students can become involved

By Allison Plute

OUTDOORS REPORTER

We've all heard the word "biodiversity" being used these days, but what does it really mean? It is a shortened form of the term "biological diversity" which simply means the entire spectrum of lifeforms and the many ecological processes that support them. This includes plants, animals and even people.

Did you know that Wisconsin has about 1,800 species of native plants and 657 species of native

vertebrates? Wisconsin's diversity will be celebrated during this year's UW-Stevens Point Earth Week celebration April 19-23.

The theme is "Wisconsin: A State of Biodiversity" and speakers, events and activities to raise awareness of this issue are being lined up.

There will be a brown bag speaker series throughout the week with topics ranging from "Environmental Racism" to "Landscaping with Native Plants". The keynote speaker is UWSP's Dr. Bob Rosenfield.

Some activities will be going

on throughout the week such as planting trees on campus, a cigarette butt clean-up, an Earth Day vigil, a composting workshop, a recycling swap bonanza and the EcoFair.

The EcoFair will be the grand finale to the week-long celebration. In the Sundial all day Friday, April 19 we will have bands, booths, veggie burgers and more.

There is a great lineup for bands including Robert Hoyt and David Rovics. We brought *Bradley Fish* and his band back again, and welcome our own local *Plasmic Style Coalition*.

The fair will have a variety of informational booths including the Stevens Point Area Co-op, Midwest Renewable Energy Association, many campus organizations, projects and more.

There is still a lot to do in or

der for this week to be a success.

If you or your organization is interested in helping out in planning or being a part of Earth Week, please contact Allison Plute (aplut289) or Randy Bekkers (rbekk250).



EENA members hosted an Earth Day children's program at the Portage County Library last year. (Submitted photo)

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Roche-A-Cri offers a quiet escape

By Joe Shead

ASSISTANT OUTDOORS EDITOR

Roche-A-Cri State Park near Friendship recently held its annual candle-light ski/hike. The event, which has been held for approximately seven years, draws people from a broad area, including Wisconsin Rapids and Madison.

"In the past we've had up to 200 people. This year it was light because of the weather," said Janet Boddy, a Friends of Roche-A-Cri member.

The ski/hike consisted of a 1.4 mile trail. At the end of the trail, participants found a bonfire complete with hot chocolate, baked potatoes, hot dogs and cookies

awaiting them.

"It's very beautiful because we use candles all along the 1.4 mile loop. If we have a clear night, the whole landscape glows," Boddy said.

Participants included young couples, families and even seniors with their dogs.

"The events at the park are simply to encourage the park. We think once they're there, they'll come back again," Boddy said. "It's very family friendly."

This event, and others like it, is sponsored by The Friends of Roche-A-Cri State Park, a non-profit organization.

Friends groups such as the one at Roche-A-Cri State Park are major contributors of both funds and work to state parks. Currently, there are over 50 Friends

groups, each affiliated with a state park or trail. The Friends of Roche-A-Cri also belong to The Friends of Wisconsin State Parks, which is a sort of umbrella to the various statewide Friends groups.

"Friends groups are an extremely useful tool that the DNR is absolutely in support of," Boddy said.

Annual admission into Roche-A-Cri is \$18, but the Friends hold certain events in which the fee is waived, the ski/hike being one of them.

The next free event is the open house which should be held near the first weekend in June.

Currently, Roche-A-Cri is preparing to work on the prairie it is trying to restore.

Boddy said Roche-A-Cri is a nice place to visit because it's not



The annual candlelight ski is one of the programs offered at Roche-A-Cri State Park. (Photo by Douglas Olson)

utilized as much as other parks so it's not as crowded. It's also a small place, with only 400 acres before the addition it received last summer. These characteristics combine for a peaceful setting.

The only drawback may be the lack of facilities, but the

Friends of Roche-A-Cri hope to change this by adding a learning center and flush toilets.

"It's on Highway 13, so not a lot of people come and find us," Boddy said.

But those who do are not disappointed.

Drinking water quality to be reported

Upcoming workshops will help public water utilities meet new federal requirements that provide consumers with information regarding the condition of the water in their system.

The 1996 Safe Drinking Water Act amendments require all of the nation's public water systems that regularly serve an average of at least 25 individuals daily to provide Consumer Confidence Reports to all public water consumers by October 1999.

A public water system can be either a community system—like a municipality, a mobile home park or a subdivision—or a non-community system, like a school, factory or wayside. The reports will include information on the source of the utility's drinking water, the treatment used to purify water, any contaminants that have been found in drinking wa-

ter and the potential health effects of those contaminants. Reports will also identify where additional information about the water supply can be found and how citizens can become involved in protecting water sources.

After the initial report in October 1999, utilities must provide updated reports to their consumers annually. Individuals not receiving reports or notice of their availability by early November 1999 can contact their local water provider for a copy.

A half-day workshop, hosted by the Wisconsin Ru-

ral Water Association in partnership with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, will be held in Plover on March 11.

More information is available from the Wisconsin Rural Water Association at (715) 344-7778. Registration for this meeting is necessary.



Questioning the quality of drinking water isn't often a concern. (Photo by Cody Strathe)

Rec. Services offers spring events

By Ryan Gilligan

OUTDOORS REPORTER

Ok, I admit it. I suppose I'm just a *little* anxious for spring. I know, in December I may have been cursing the t-shirt and shorts weather but surprisingly this mild winter has taken its toll, and even ice fishing can no longer keep cabin fever from getting under my skin. Fortunately, with each lengthening day we're all just a little closer to enjoying warm, sunny days, open water and Belt's ice cream.

If you're aching to get outdoors this spring but coming up short on good ways to do it, Recreational Services might be able to help. Aside from a spring break trip to Big Bend National Park in Texas and another to Moab, Utah, they will also offer several fun mini-courses in the following months.

Though it may not exactly be a true springtime activity, this month's programs will begin with

a sled-dogging mini-course on Saturday, March 6. The course will provide students with a first-hand introduction to the unique sport of dogsledding.

If mushing a team of dogs isn't quite what you have in mind for getting rid of those late winter blues, there are many other activities to choose from. On March 24 there will be a hang-gliding mini-course, which will be followed up by an actual hang gliding trip on April 25.

On Saturday, April 24 Recreational Services will be taking a trip to the Wausau climbing wall at the Woodson YMCA. Participants will be provided with climbing supplies and instruction on proper techniques.

The cost is \$20 for students, \$25 for non-students and includes the cost of transportation to

Wausau and all equipment rental. Sign-up starts on March 22 at noon in the Allen Center.

A horseback riding mini-course will be held on May 1.

If a planned trip isn't for you, Recreational Services can still help you enjoy the nice spring weather with their usual equipment rental, where students can get their hands on a wide variety of equipment ranging from canoes to golf clubs.



Rec. Services offers many courses including rock climbing. (Submitted photo)



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A nostalgic journey to the Lake District

By Lisa Rothe

OVERSEAS CORRESPONDENT

Often times we overlook that which seems to be most comfortable, preferring to take the worn backseat to life, fearing the ultimate gift itself. William Wordsworth, an inspiring Romantic poet, captured his own inescapable inspirations within the Lake District in Northeast England.

Uninhibited as a monarch caught in the breeze, I pushed my body along carefully etched trails of the Lake District's rugged mountains during my long-awaited weekend holiday.

Twelve million tourists visit this national park every year hoping to find Wordsworth's vision.

Canon Hardwicke Rawnsley, in the late 19th century, founded the National Trust, marking the beginning of the master plan to preserve the "Lakes." Today the Trust is the largest landowner in the Lake District Park with over a quarter of the area consisting of farms, houses and cottages.

After the continued untiring efforts of determined environmentalists and nature-conscious individuals, 1951 marked the year

the district was made a national park.

"In the eighteenth century," found Rob Talbot and Robin Whiteman, writers of "The English Lakes," "outsiders thought that the region was wild and inhospitable, a horrifying land in which the valleys were too dangerous to enter and the mountains too immense to pass."

The mountains tell the story

"I wandered lonely as a cloud that floats on high o'er vales and hills..." Wordsworth wrote in 1815 what I related to in 1999."

of two major geological upheavals millions of years ago randomly carving into the earth the distinct shapes and patterns that I was fortunate to hike upon.

Contrary to the settler's fear of the intrusive mountainside, my eyes saw the landscape as clear as J.M.W. Turner, renowned painter, had as my mind stumbled to piece together unconnected poetic phrases.

Toward the end of the 19th century, Victorian thinkers were convinced this immersion in Nature was the closest any mortal would ever get to heaven. Baffled, I embraced the warmth

of my successful quest to the omnipotent Gaia. Timeless and perfect.

"For I have learned to look on Nature not as in the hour of thoughtless youth, but hearing oftentimes the still, sad music of humanity, nor harsh, nor grating, though of ample power to chasten and subdue ... a motion and a spirit that impels all thinking things, all objects of all thought, and rolls through all things," penned the inspired Wordsworth in his poem "Tintern Abbey."

It seems a travesty not to declare every hiking experience a notch of happiness upon your smile lines. With the greatest sincerity, I claim the Lake District to be more than a happy memory or a roll of never-good-enough pictures.

The hills breathed deeply, exhaling life into the rust coloured prairie grasses, the wind strummed a tune heard only to the ears of conscious hikers while the unrelenting hail sliced into my own thoughtlessness. "I wandered lonely as a cloud that floats on high o'er vales and hills..." Wordsworth wrote in 1815, what I related to in 1999.

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•Tap into the season of the Maple Moon:

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Chickens

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The opportunity to sit in a blind is offered to all students and is an experience not soon forgotten. It takes the commitment of an hour one evening to learn the techniques and procedures for counting in the blinds. The most important element is having the willingness to arise before the sun has risen and get out to the blinds.

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Times for informational meetings will be 7 p.m. Mondays and 6 p.m. Wednesdays starting on March 22nd in a room to be determined. Mornings for students to go out to the blinds begin April 5th and run through the 30th. For more information contact the Wildlife Society Office 346-2016 or contact Dave Miller at dmill952@uwsp.edu.

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Sound Off!

By Jason Frey
GUEST COLUMNIST

Eds. note: Sound Off! is a guest column that you can participate in by emailing nkatz350@uwsp.edu. —Nick Katzmarek

A while back I was walking along, minding my own business, when I saw something that, frankly, disturbed me.

I happened to notice a rusted pickup truck waiting at a stop sign. My eyes wandered over the truck, and I saw that the rear bumper bore a sticker reading, "Nice People Swallow."

This, of course, was meant to "answer" the stickers adorning the bumpers of (thankfully) many other cars in the Stevens Point area which read, "Mean People Suck." Seeing one of the latter always brings a smile to my face. I've never been able to understand why so many people I've met over the years seem determined to be nasty and unfriendly to those around them. And I don't buy the argument that it comes from one's upbringing; my childhood was filled with mean people, yet I didn't decide to mimic their actions. Seeing a "Mean People Suck" sticker let me know that there was at least one other person who agreed with me.

Then here's this clown with a sticker proclaiming his allegiance with those who find it necessary to treat their fellow human beings as if they were less than such. On top of it, the putz had a Dallas Cowboys sticker on his truck.

Has anyone besides me ever found it disheartening the way our society takes pleasure in knocking those who try to spread a positive message? Take "Barney", the foam rubber purple dinosaur created for a children's TV program. A few years ago, some lyrics to a song featured on the program ("I love you/you love me/we're a happy family") became a kind of catchphrase.

As the "Barney" craze grew, so did a backlash of ridicule, which culminated with the national news proclaiming that a group of teenage boys had physically beaten a man wearing a "Barney" costume at a shopping center promotion. The news story was found by many to be humorous.

Get my drift yet?

Or how about the infamous "smiley face" that became nothing short of a national symbol in the '70s? You're less likely to see the original version on somebody's t-shirt than you are to see an altered version, in which the face sports a bullet hole complete with blood running from the wound.

You might say that I'm overanalyzing; that in both of these instances I just took a joke too seriously. However, I'm sure that if all of you reading this think for a minute, you can recall a time when you were unhappy, and wanted to do something to a happy person to make them unhappy as well.

That's what I see in America these days — a growing movement against being positive. Our daily lives are filled with stress, anxiety and frustration, so much so that persons who seem immune to such stressors are seen as deviant. Being negative and angry is the new national norm; anyone who strives to buck the tide is bad. And I don't like it.

SEE SOUND OFF! ON PAGE 18

What's in a name? — Knutzen Hall

Student favorite Knutzen believed in living simply

By Mike Kemmeter
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

If Norman Knutzen was still alive today, he'd be very proud the residence hall bearing his name is now an "Eco-Hall."

The former UW-Stevens Point English professor loved nature and patterned his life after Henry Thoreau, living simply.

Knutzen spent his free time at his rustic cottage on Pike Lake in Marathon County and invited his students to visit him there too.

A favorite of students during his 32 years teaching various English courses at UW-SP, Knutzen retired in 1963 only to stay on a part-time basis. For three years he then continued to teach, work as an admissions counselor and direct the campus Glee Club.

Knutzen founded the Glee Club in 1933 and the club soon became recognized nationally. The group performed at several well-known places, including the New York's World Fair, West Point Military Academy, Soldier Field and the National Federation of Music Club Convention in Miami.

While Knutzen directed the Glee Club for over 30 years, his teaching obviously came first.

He created a new class called Midwestern Literature, where students studied folklore in central and northern Wisconsin.

He used personal interviews with colorful guest speakers and oral recordings to add flavor to the class.

Not a fan of the straight lecture format, Knutzen used numerous field trips, including ones to his Pike Lake cottage.

His teaching style made him so popular that students complained they couldn't get into his classes after three years of trying.

And parents liked him so much that they urged their children to enroll in his classes.

Knutzen's road to his teaching career began at Stevens Point Normal School, where he enrolled as a freshman in 1911. He then graduated from Lawrence University, and received his masters degree from the same school.

He stayed on at the school as a faculty member, teaching in 1929 and 1930 until coming to UW-SP.

Upon his retirement from the university, he worked with the UW-SP Alumni Association and received the Distinguished Service Award in 1969.

The son of a druggist, Knutzen was born in Manitowoc and he served as an artillery sergeant at Camp Zachary Taylor, Kent, during World War I.

A lifelong bachelor, Knutzen died at St. Michael's Hospital in 1972 at 79 years old.



Former professor Norman Knutzen directs the Glee Club. (UW-SP Archives photo)



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• BENCH PRESS CONTEST

Everyone is invited to participate in the 1999 Coca-Cola Iron Dog Bench Press Contest at the UW-Stevens Point Strength Center. The contest begins March 1 and continues until supplies last. The weight classes include 100, 200, 250, 300, 350 and 400 pound lifting. The entry fee is \$3 for members of the Strength Center and \$6 for nonmembers, and includes an all-day pass to use the center. If you complete a lift, you receive a t-shirt with that weight on it.

• TWO GREAT BANDS

Kick off your spring break on March 11 with *Tunderchief* at 8 p.m. and the *Plasmic Style 3* at 9:15 p.m. in The Encore. There is a \$5 donation at the door, and all proceeds go to the Luekemia Society of America's Team in Training Program. Come dance and support a good cause. The program is sponsored by numerous UW-Stevens Point organizations.

• BRAIN DRAIN

The Ultimate Trivia Gameshow is being held in The Encore on Tuesday, March 9 at 8 p.m. You can win cash prizes and play in teams. Come warm up for Trivia '99 with Brain Drain.

• STUDENT ACADEMIC ADVISING CENTER RAFFLE

The Student Academic Advising Center is holding an "Early Bird" raffle for those undeclared majors who meet with their advisors from March 1-12 (before spring break). Students who meet with their adviser during this period to choose courses for summer/fall 1999 will be eligible to win an assortment of prizes: a UW-SP windbreaker, MS Publisher software program, as well as donations from area restaurants, movie theaters, etc.

• MISSION

The Newman Parish is holding a mission during a four night series of one hour gatherings of reflection, scripture and prayer. Sunday through Wednesday, March 7-10, check out the Newman Center's renewal meetings.

• CHICAGO TRIP

On April 9 and 10, spend your time in Chicago visiting art galleries, the Shedd Aquarium and do some shopping. Leave on a charter bus at 6 a.m. on Friday and return on Saturday at around 10 p.m.

Hotel accommodations are at the Ramada Congress Hall. Sign-up in the Fine Arts Center on Tuesday, March 2 from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the main art hallway. Cost is only \$45 per student, sharing a room with three others.

• DECADE DISCOTHEQUE

It's the University Center's 40th birthday! Help celebrate at the Decade Discotheque on Thursday, March 4 from 8 p.m. to 12 a.m. in the Wooden Spoon. Share in free food and drinks and great music from the '50s through the '90s.

Horne brings puppet relations to Point

By Tracy Marhal
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

Ventriloquism is a dying art. Is this because the progressiveness of the 90s has allowed even puppets to speak for themselves? Is it because puppets and people just can't relate to each other?

Whatever the reason, a resuscitation of ventriloquism is necessary. But what mortal can handle such a task? Dan Horne can.

"When I was five years old, I brought my doll in to perform for the class. That was pretty much a disaster, they laughed me out of the room."

But do not fear, Horne's no

quitter.

"I was known as the kid who played with dolls from that point on. But now I'm laughing — all the way to the bank." Horne gave his playing-dolls routine another try in front of his college audi-

leading dirty old man, Orsen, especially knows how to liven up the college crowds.

"During the most racy parts of the show, students tend to respond to more."

Orsen isn't the only star of Horne's show. He has a slew of puppets, not only to perform with, but to work with.

"They went on strike. They wanted dry cleaning at least twice a week and holes in the carrying cases for air."

Horne said the situation was relieved, but he still has to be careful about where he can touch his female puppets. You can see Horne and crew at The Encore Thursday at 8pm.

"I was known as the kid that played with dolls."
— Dan Horne, Ventriloquist

ence, and judging by his appearances on Comedy Central, VH1, and Fox's Comic Strip Live, this performance went a little better. Perhaps even good enough to resuscitate a dying art. Now, Horne and his partners perform at college campuses regularly. Horne's

Tastes of the Towne Hibachi Joe's

By Ethan Meyer
RESTAURANT CRITIC

As a lover of oriental cuisine, I am disappointed that I waited this long to visit Hibachi Joe's Japanese restaurant. Just a stone's throw from Main St., and across from Associated Bank on Church St., the establishment is not only easy to locate, but is within walking distance of downtown.

We arrived at an off hour, as usual, and were seated in the upstairs dining room immediately. Menus were distributed and I or-

dered one of the many imported beers available.

For the beer enthusiast, Japan, China and Korea were some of the exporters represented on the drink list.

The establishment's name-sake section of the menu caught my eye immediately. My reasoning was that if the restaurant was named Hibachi, the hibachi style food would obviously be the best.

I ordered the hibachi lobster and my fellow diner chose the hibachi steak (10 oz. New York Strip).

Hibachi preparation combines the taste of lemon and garlic with soy.

I learned that hot Japanese Saki was available, so I ordered some to go with the meal.

Some crab rangoons seemed the perfect appetizer to the meal.

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Hibachi Joe's is a great place to find Chinese food. (Photo by Douglas Olson)

Getting ready to Trivia like it's 1999

By Dawnette Peek
FEATURES REPORTER

Ready to stay up for 54 hours straight? Yes, it's that time again — Trivia Week is on its way. Start getting your teams ready, registration starts April 12-16 at 90 FM and you need to register in person. Also during April 12-16, it is "Hits Week" on 90 FM, playing the greatest hits from the 70s to the 90s.

Trivia celebrates its 30th year. The theme for Trivia 30 is "Trivia like it's 1999." The trivia

movie will show April 9-10 at Campus Cinema and "Trivia like it's 1999" starts on April 16 with a kickoff parade and goes until the 18th.

Carrie Kostechka, who is the program director for Trivia Week said, "There is a lot of on-campus and community involvement, but this year, we are encouraging the dorms to play. The key is to get dorm involvement."

Trivia has over 12,000 players and is the largest trivia in the world. It is a contest for all ages. Starting at 6 p.m. Friday until

midnight on Sunday, Trivia includes eight questions an hour and the teams call in their answers to 90 FM. Questions range from music to scavenger hunts around the community.

Kostechka said, "Trivia is completely unavoidable if you are on campus or in town. People sit down for 54 hours straight and play a game. It's competitive and an endurance challenge, but it also shows the spirit that the people and the community have."

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New Radicals to play Point

Band opening for Goo Goo Dolls

By Tracy Marhal
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

What images pop up in your mind with the words "pop culture"? Do you see the generation-X kids created by Pepsi commercials? Do you see young people who want to spread their message through love and music. If you see the latter, you see the *New Radicals*.

Or should I say, New Radical, because the band is pretty much a brain child of singer/songwriter and producer Greg Alexander.

The Michigan-born man whose latest CD, "Maybe you've been brainwashed too," speaks boldly on the band's MCA webpage about fighting social injustice and prejudice.

The *New Radicals* open for the *Goo Goo Dolls* April 13 at Quandt Fieldhouse.

The Goo Goo Dolls and the New Radicals are coming to Point!

Wanna go to the show?
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Advance Tickets for Students:
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Has religion become more important this day and age?

By Nick Katzmarek
FEATURES EDITOR

Do we "need" religion in this day and age? While tempted to launch a diatribe about the futility of justifying necessary beings, I'll attempt to restrict myself to the topic at hand. Just holler if I wander too far.

I can't really see this age as being different than any age that we've had.

We have more technology, for sure, and rely on scientific medicine to prolong our life rather than burning sage and painting our bodies.

What does this mean? I'm not sure, apart from the fact that it seems to make the question moot.

People will always need the solace of religion. That seems to be a dyed-in-the-wool fact.

In this so-called enlightened age where technology and science are our religions, we still have bombs exploding in the name of preserving religious sanctity. And while it's certainly within someone's rights to place trust in a higher power, it's not something that I think we need "now more than ever."

What does this mean? It doesn't mean that I think you should abandon any religious belief that you have right now to worship technology and science.

It doesn't mean that I think you are worse off in this day and age if you are a "believer."

It means that I don't think you should suspend any reservations you have about religion and march out and join a church or synagogue.

It means that I don't think your moral fiber will suffer if you don't accept the existence of god.



By Tracy Marhal
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

We need faith in a higher being now more than ever. As more and more things seem beyond our control (i.e. natural disasters, social inequality, cloning), it might be a relief to put your trust in someone with control, and knows a lot more than we do.

College kids around me who have oodles of questions about life, and seem to be looking for the answers in shot glasses and naughty, naughty magazines, might find a resolution to the "whys" if they dug into something with the sole purpose of answering those questions.

Science can answer a lot of these questions and doesn't have to go against religion, but it can't answer everything — even though it sure is trying to.

Science also can't bring the emotional comfort religion can.

It's been proven people that pray and go to church have less stress. They also have a reputation for being kinder in general and more willing to help others. What is not helpful are the idiots who ruin that reputation of kindness by having hate rallies in God's name. Is a hate rally part of the whole "love your neighbor" thing?

In our age of science and reasoning, we should be intelligent enough to make the best of religion and use it to help ourselves and others.

After all, we may have answers about this life, but who can tell me what comes next?

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Contest: City ordinance prohibits nude displays

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"The three judges based their choices for the finals based upon the crowd's reaction. In my opinion, the chant 'skin to win' really did mean something," said Wos, a UW-Stevens Point student. "However, the most beautiful girl, in my opinion, did not take off her clothes and was booed by the crowd. I respect her for that."

Early Friday morning the Stevens Point Police Department responded to a complaint regarding the establishment. Officers were notified that minors may have been admitted in the bar and girls were dancing naked during the "bikini and boxer" contest, hosted by the club.

The S.P.P.D. arrived to find the contest completed and their manpower inadequate to begin checking the identification of the hundreds of people in the bar.

According to a Stevens Point ordinance, "It is unlawful for any person to perform or engage in, or for any licensee, manager or agent of the licensee to permit any person, employee, entertainer or patron to perform or engage in any live act, demonstration, dance or

exhibition on the premises of a licensed establishment which: Expose to view any portion of the pubic area...or permit any female to appear on licensed premises in such manner or attire as to expose to view any portion of the breast below the top of the areola..."

However, according to eyewitness accounts, this is exactly what took place on the establishment's dance floor.

A representative of Bruiser's management, speaking on terms of anonymity, said that contestants were verbally warned not to strip.

When asked why the female contestant who won was awarded the prize even though she broke the rules, the representative said, "The crowd's reaction had a lot to do with it. We didn't want to seem like jerks."

Bruiser's ownership released the following statement to *The Pointer*:

"Bruiser's Night Club does not condone topless exhibition during these contests. These were a few isolated conditions. In the future, any nudity will result in immediate disqualification."

"I thought it was weird that the girls had to show nudity to win," said Sara McDermott, who served as a judge for the male "boxer short" portion of the contest.

McDermott also expressed she thought it was wrong that the female contestant who won was awarded the prize even though she broke the rules.

A male contestant, who wished to withhold his name, said, "I don't blame the (Bruiser's) staff, but (the contest) could have been better planned to avoid negative occurrences. People were told not to strip, and the staff wasn't promoting these types of activities."

Lieutenant Kevin Ruder, patrol commander of the S.P.P.D., reported that there have been no past complaints of nudity or naked dancing originating from Bruiser's in the past. According to Ruder, the management cooperated fully with the officers reporting to the scene.

Although there were no violations noted, Lt. Ruder said, "If we receive another complaint, we will work with Bruiser's to make this issue nonrecurring."

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THE WEEK IN POINT!

THURSDAY, MARCH 4

NATIONAL COLLEGIATE HEALTH & WELLNESS WEEK WOW WEEK OF WELLNESS

UWSP Aerobics Prog. & Lifestyle Assts. Present: WELLNESS FAIR
(Concourse-Health Enhancement Center), 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Counseling Center Prog.: Helping A Friend With A Drinking Problem,
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM (Counseling Center)

CP!-Center Stage Lively Arts Series Presents: OFF THE WALL/ANN
TIMMONS, 8:00 PM (Laird Rm.-UC)

CP!-Club/Variety Presents: DAN HORN, 8:00 PM (Encore-UC)

UC 40th Anniversary Decade Dance w/D.J., BROWN'S CRUSIN'
SOUNDS, 8:00 PM - 12:00 AM (Wooden Spoon-UC)

TREMORS DANCE CLUB, 9PM-12M (AC)

FRIDAY, MARCH 5

NATIONAL COLLEGIATE HEALTH & WELLNESS WEEK WOW WEEK OF WELLNESS

Mention WOW WEEK at the Brewhaus and Play Pool for Free
(Brewhaus-UC)

Wrestling, NCAA III Championships (Away)

UC Marketing & Promotions Quit 'n Time Series w/BARB BAZALDUA,
3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (Basement Brewhaus)

CP!-Centers Cinema Movie: LA CONFIDENTIAL, 7PM (Encore-UC)
Multicultural Affairs & Alliance of Non-Traditional Students Presents:

EXPERIENCE THE COLORS, 7:30PM (MH-FAB)

SATURDAY, MARCH 6

Rec. Serv. Dog Sled Mini-Course & Snowshoe & Cross-Country Ski Day
(Information and Sign-up at Rec. Serv.-AC, X3848)

Wrestling, NCAA III Championships (Away)

Central WI Symphony Orchestra & Chorus, Orchestra Recognition
Night, Orff Carmina Burana, 7:30PM (Sentry)

TREMORS Dance Club, 10PM-2AM (AC)

SUNDAY, MARCH 7

Planetarium Series: GALAXIES, 2PM (Sci. Bldg.)

Central WI Symphony Orchestra & Chorus, Orchestra Recognition
Night, Orff Carmina Burana, 7:30PM (Sentry)

MONDAY, MARCH 8

Counseling Center Prog.: Achieving Positive Body Image, 3:00 PM -
4:00 PM (Counseling Center-Delzell)

Faculty Recital: DAVID HASTINGS, Saxophone, 7:30PM (MH-FAB)

Planetarium Series: NIGHT SKY PROGRAM, 8PM (Sci. Bldg.)

TUESDAY, MARCH 9

UC Marketing & Promotions Entertainment: THE PLASMIC STYLE
COALITION, 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM (Basement Brewhaus)

Performing Arts Series: MEET ME IN ST. LOUIS, 7:30PM (Sentry)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10

Basement Brewhaus Jazz Night w/JAZZ COMBO, 7-10PM (Brewhaus)

UWSP Wind Ensemble, 7:30PM (MH-FAB)

For Further Information Please Contact the Campus Activities Office at 346-4343

Thoughts from the Dawg House...



Packers set to begin search for Lambeau's replacement

By Nick Brilowski
SPORTS EDITOR

For all those die-hard Packer fans who never had the opportunity to attend a game and experience the aura of Lambeau Field, they had better act fast.

That is because Packer President Bob Harlan announced Tuesday that the team would like to begin making plans for a new stadium in the next two or three years for a facility that would be built in the next 10 to 12 years.

This all comes on the heels of the announcement earlier this week that Green Bay would drop plans to renovate Lambeau Field in favor of redirecting that money toward players' salaries.

Most fans won't be in favor of the plans for a new stadium because of the history of Lambeau, but in order for the team to continue competing with the others around the NFL, it will be necessary.

The biggest problem for the Packers will be attempting to fund the new stadium. Without a true owner, the publicly-owned team is searching for attempts to increase their revenue.

Treasurer John Underwood estimated the cost of a new state-of-the-art stadium at approximately \$350 million. In 10 to 12 years that figure could potentially double.

For those who ask what is wrong with Lambeau, I ask them if they've ever tried to go to the bathroom at halftime. Enough said.

Harlan has rejected the idea of selling naming rights to a new stadium like the Brewers have done with the upcoming Miller Park. As "sacrilegious" as it may be, as Harlan calls it, selling naming rights would provide the immediate income that the Packers desperately need.

For my money, no pun intended, there is no better place to watch a sporting event than Lambeau Field. But the fact is that it can't be here forever.

Swimming and diving headed to Nationals

By Jessica Burda
SPORTS EDITOR

With one of their strongest conference seasons behind them, the UW-Stevens Point swimming and diving teams are sending nine of their athletes to Nationals.

After both the men and women swept the conference dual season and remained undefeated, a repeat for the men and a first for the women, the Pointers suffered disappointing losses to the UW-Eau Claire Blugolds at the WIAC Championships meet two weeks ago.

Although the season is over, UW-SP is well represented heading into the NCAA Division III meet.

For the women, Becca Uphoff and Christine Sammons will compete March 12-13 at the University of Miami (Ohio).

Uphoff will swim in the 200 backstroke, 200 freestyle and 500 freestyle, while Sammons will race in both the 100 and 200 breaststroke.

The Pointer women's relays barely missed qualification for Nationals.

"We're looking for their best times," coach Al Boelk said, "to do well in their individuals."

The UW-SP men are anticipating sending seven athletes to the meet (participants were not available

at press time).

The Pointer team will include Randy Boelk, Dave Willoughby, Jeremy Francioli and John Stevens who were national champions last year in the 400 medley relay.

Rounding out the seven man team is Nick Hansen, Anthony Harris and diver Kevin Engholdt.

Leaving the competition in their wake

UW-Stevens Point National Individual Qualifiers

Women

Christine Sammons
Becca Uphoff

Men

Randy Boelk
Kevin Engholdt
Jeremy Francioli
Nick Hansen
Anthony Harris
John Stevens
Dave Willoughby

Club Sports and Schedules

Women's Hockey

After finishing up an impressive season Saturday in Wisconsin Rapids, the UW-Stevens Point women's hockey club advances to the Midwest Collegiate Women's Hockey Alliance playoff tournament this weekend.

Point begins their playoff action Friday and will continue on based upon their tournament record.

Opponents and game times have yet to be announced.

MCWHA Tournament

River Falls, WI

March, 5, 6, and 7, 1999

-Begins Friday at 5 p.m.

-Championship Game held Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

Pointers to host WIAC Championships

Track and Field teams ready for conference meet

By Jessica Burda
SPORTS EDITOR

Closing in on the end of their indoor season, the UW-Stevens Point track and field teams completed their last indoor invite at UW-Oshkosh Saturday.

Placing second behind the conference powerhouse Titans, the Pointer men finished with 151 points behind Oshkosh's 185. The UW-SP women fared the same coming in second with 129 points behind the Titan women (264 points).

"It was a very nice meet for us," said coach Len Hill. "Overall, going into this meet, I cautioned the team about being too complacent about not looking past this meet to conference."

Hosting the WIAC Championships this weekend, the Pointers wrapped up their regular indoor season with strong performances in anticipation of the conference meet.

UW-SP's Sarah Green won the weight throw competition with her toss of 47-feet-2¼ and the versatile Katie Eiring continued her undefeated season placing first in the pole vault. Additionally, the women's 1600 meter relay finished second with their time of 4:11:53.

"They're hard workers and take it very seriously," Hill said.

"We're ready for conference."

The UW-SP men are preparing as well, and didn't place much emphasis on the Oshkosh Invite, as they were competing without six athletes who traveled to a competition at Iowa State.

The Pointer distance men brought home several strong performances by Jesse Lalonde in the 1,000 meter (M), Dan Schwamberger and Jesse Drake in the 1,500 M and Rob Pieper in the 3,000 meter race.

Looking ahead to this weekend's home Championship meet, coach Rick Witt is confident in his team's abilities.

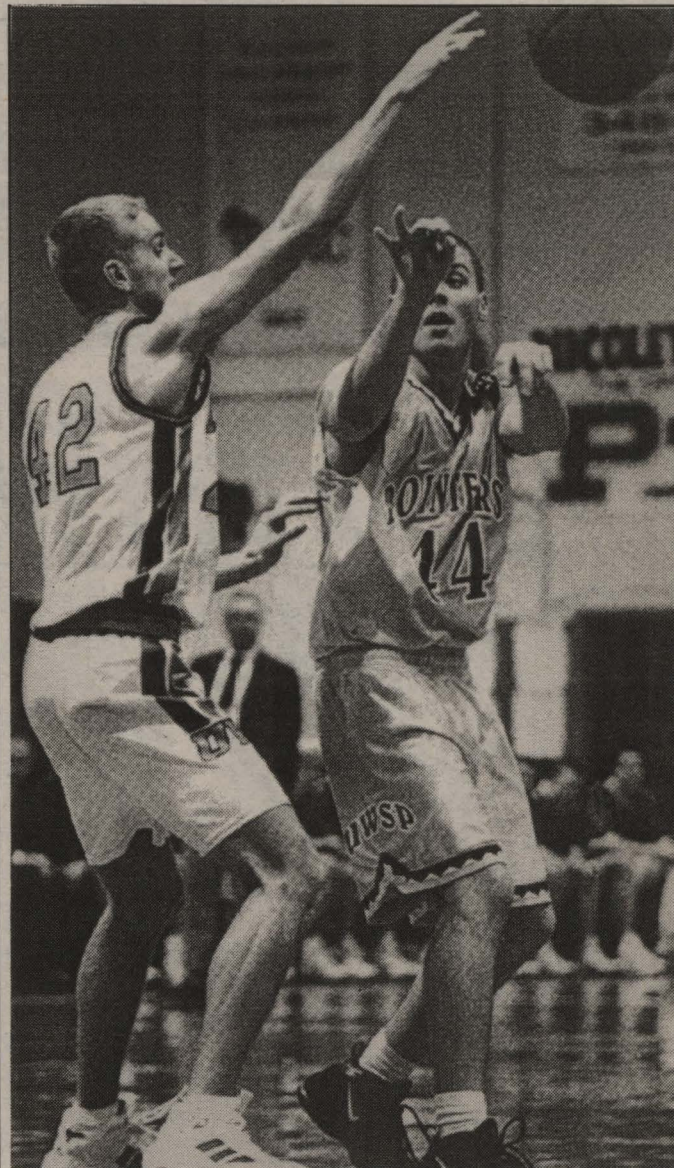
"We'll be ready to go," Witt said, "I have no doubt about that."

Continually pleased with both his veterans and newcomers, Witt is interested in how his younger athletes will perform.

"The key is whether or not they can handle the intensity of the conference meet," Witt said. "The intensity (at this meet) is stepped up a level."

The Pointer men begin the WIAC Championship events Friday at 11:30 a.m. and the women begin their events at 3:45 p.m.

Wrapping up a career



Knutson last Wednesday during his final game as a Pointer. (Photo by Scott Anderson, UW-Platteville)

Quote of the Week

“ I don't say a prayer for Coach Floyd every night, but I do mention him in my prayers. ”

-- Milwaukee Bucks head coach George Karl on Chicago Bulls head coach Tim Floyd. --Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

Comebacks lead Falcons past Point

Semifinal losses likely end hockey team's season

By Jesse Osborne
SPORTS REPORTER

In a season where expectations ran high, the UW-Stevens Point hockey team's quest of returning to the national championship game ground to a halt last weekend in River Falls, as they were swept by the Falcons in a NCHA semi-final series.

The series defeat essentially ends the season for the Pointers, who are not expected to receive a bid to the NCAA playoffs.

"It's disappointing because we have a good team," Pointer head coach Joe Baldarotta said. "We played well enough to win both games but got knocked out."

The series loss also means the end of the careers of six senior members of the team, Kevin

Fricke, Eric Brown, Ben Gorewich, Dan Collins, Norm Campbell and Tony Bergeron.

The Pointers looked good in the early going Friday night, but couldn't hang on, dropping a 4-2 decision.

Gorewich opened the scoring with a power-play goal and Ryan

the other ricocheting off a UW-SP skate.

The Falcons added an empty net goal with two seconds remaining to seal the victory.

In the pivotal Saturday contest, Point's impressive first period had succumb to a late River Falls charge as the home team completed the sweep with a 5-4 win.

The Falcons made an immediate statement as Bill Matzke picked up a loose puck and scored on a breakaway just ten seconds into the game for the 1-0 lead.

U W - S P bounced back with a

backhanded goal by Maxson past Falls goaltender Brady Alstead at 5:24 of the first to knot it at 1-1.

Just under a minute later, Derek Toninato found Mikhail Salienko out in front of the net and Salienko knocked one home for

"You have to get breaks along the way in order to get the chance to play for the national championship. We just didn't get any."

— Pointer coach Joe Baldarotta

Maxson added a score for a 2-0 lead heading into the first intermission.

From there River Falls took control of the game, scoring the next three goals, one which bounced off a Pointer stick and



UW-Stevens Point and UW-River Falls players pile-up in front of the Pointer net during the third period of Saturday's NCHA semi-final match-up. (Submitted photo)

the 2-1 lead.

Point kept the pressure on and in the 17th minute it paid off twice as Troy Michalski notched a short-handed goal and Matt Interbartolo scored on a breakaway 29 seconds to give

UW-SP a commanding 4-1 lead after one period.

River Falls bounced back in the second with a pair of goals by Matzke to complete his hat trick,

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The Pointer Scorecard

Hockey

UW-SP - UW-RIVER FALLS
RIVER FALLS, WI
FEBRUARY 27, 1999

UW-River Falls	1	2	2	--	5
UW-SP	4	0	0	--	4

Scoring
First Period

UW-RF - Matzke (Kumer), 00:10.
UW-SP - Maxson (Kendrick), 5:24.
UW-SP - Salienko (Toninato, Boehm), 6:16.
UW-SP - Michalski (Shasby), sh, 17:25.
UW-SP - Interbartolo (Campbell, Gorewich), 17:54.

Second Period

UW-RF - Matzke (Yackel), pp, 00:34.
UW-RF - Matzke (J.Anderson), pp, 6:09.

Third Period

UW-RF - J. Anderson (Matzke), 15:33.
UW-RF - Fukushima, en, 19:28.
Shots on Goal: UW-SP - 40, UW-RF - 33.

The Week Ahead...

UW-Stevens Point Athletics

Track and Field: WIAC Championships, Friday and Saturday.
Wrestling: NCAA III Championships (Ewing, NJ), Friday and Saturday.

Goal Saves: UW-SP - Cinelli 28, UW-RF - Alstead 36.

Penalties: UW-SP - 9-18, UW-RF - 6-12.

UW-SP - UW-RIVER FALLS
RIVER FALLS, WI
FEBRUARY 26, 1999

UW-River Falls	0	1	3	--	4
UW-SP	2	0	0	--	2

Scoring
First Period

UW-SP - Gorewich (Brown), pp, 7:40.
UW-SP - Maxson (Gorewich), 17:56.

Second Period

UW-RF - J. Anderson (Matzke), pp, 18:10.

Third Period

UW-RF - Fukushima (Wasley, Alstead), pp, 2:35.

UW-RF - Yackel, pp, 14:19.
UW-RF - Matzke (J. Anderson, Bengston), en, 19:58.

Shots on Goal: UW-SP - 31, UW-RF - 30.
Goal Saves: UW-SP - Cinelli 26, UW-RF - Alstead 29.

Penalties: UW-SP - 2-4, UW-RF -2-4.

Track and Field

UW-OSHKOSH INVITATIONAL
OSHKOSH, WI
FEBRUARY 27, 1999

Team Results

Men (13 teams total)	
1. UW-Oshkosh	185
2. UW-SP	151
3. UW-Platteville	109
4. St. Norbert College	63
5. Carroll College	60
6. Monmouth College	54

Women (11 teams total)	
1. UW-Oshkosh	264
2. UW-SP	129
3. UW-Platteville	74
4. Carroll College	46
5. Monmouth College	43
6. Lawrence University	36

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

BRETT HORNSETH - BASKETBALL



Hornseth

UW-SP Career Highlights

- Four-year letterwinner
- Career high seven rebounds versus Dallas (1995-1996)

Hometown: Appleton, WI

Major: Communication

Most memorable moment: Beating Platteville at Platteville my sophomore year.

Who was your idol growing up?: Larry Bird and my cousin Eric Montross.

What do you plan to do after you graduate?: Hopefully, get a job.

Biggest achievement in sports: Being able to sit the bench for four years and enjoy it!

Most embarrassing moment: Probably, not remembering all of last practice.

Favorite aspect of basketball: The camaraderie of my teammates.

What will you remember most about basketball at UW-SP?: The standing ovation I received from Mark Fetzer and Andy Palzkill on Senior Night.



On top of their game

Women's Basketball

1. We Could Beat You @ Pinball
2. Team Guthman
3. Dawgz
4. Mixed Nuts
5. CT Jeans

Coed Volleyball

1. Vertically Challenged
2. Hansen Hellraisers
3. Bobbie Socks
4. Rafee's
5. Sneeders

Floor Hockey

1. Waste of Space
2. Getting Nowhere Slow
3. Aut Vincere Aut Mori
4. Kolt 45

Men's Basketball

1. Hump Thunder
2. Da Playas'
3. Skunky Bush
4. Not the House Pancakes
5. Hoosiers

Women's Volleyball

1. Dawgz
2. Garden Peas
3. Pointer Sisters
4. Ruby May
5. Who Framed Roger Rabbit

Soccer

1. Buzz Killers
2. Wang Dang
3. Kevin Lambo
4. The Wall

Men's Volleyball

1. Scrubs
2. Hanson Hellraisers
3. The Higher Ups

Tight Corner

By Grundy & Willett



Politicians are born, not made.



"You've got fish that clean the inside of the tank ... but here's a novelty."

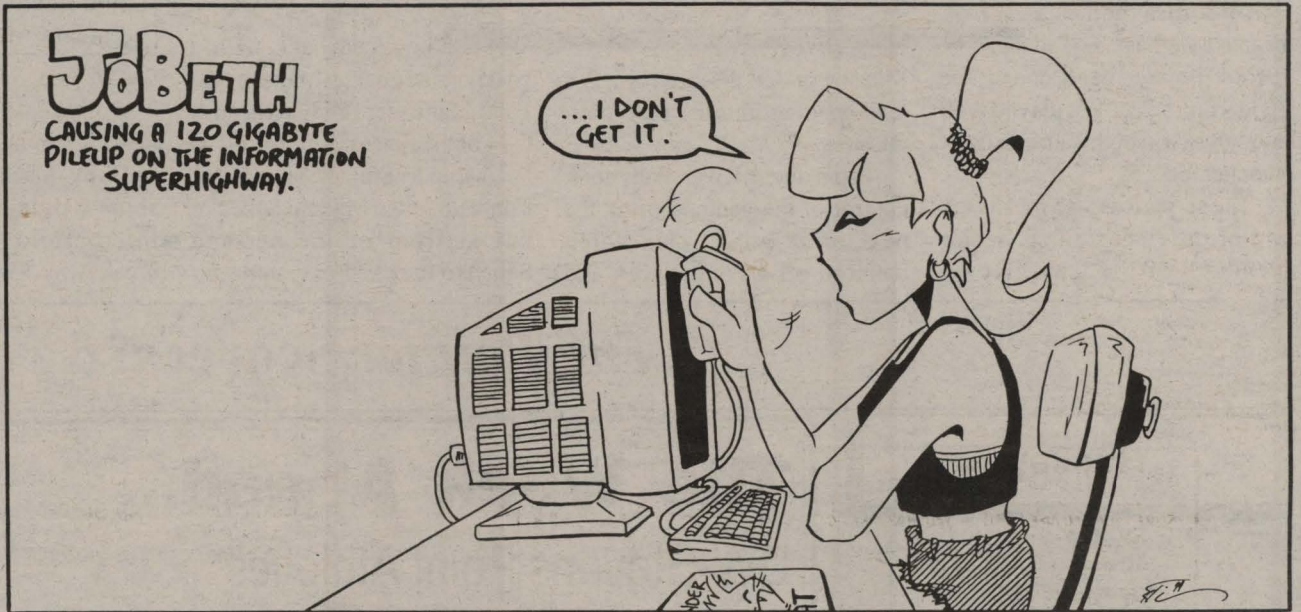
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By Joey Hetzel

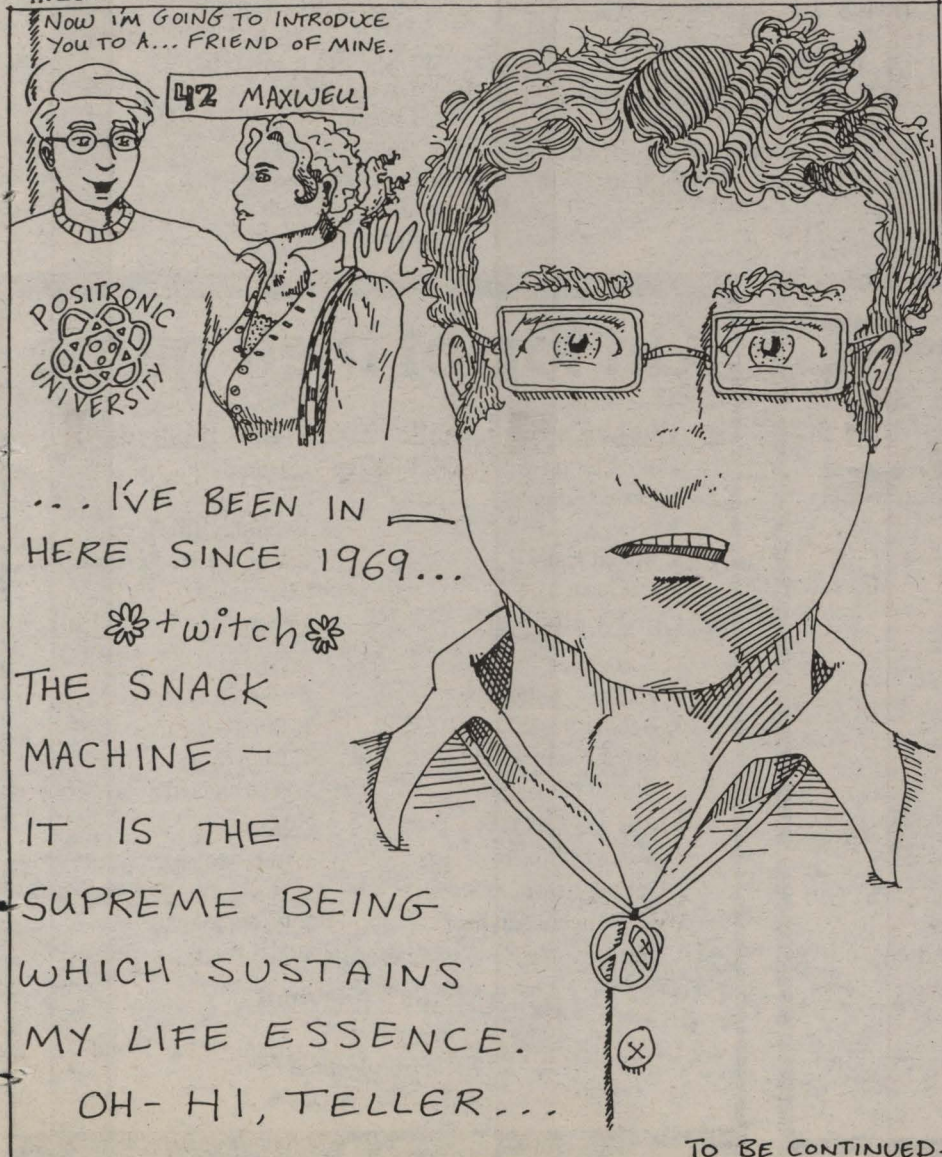


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By BJ Hiorns



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Hockey

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but Point still held a 4-3 advantage.

The Pointers, who couldn't afford a tie and needed to force a mini-game, were dealt a crushing blow as Jared Anderson picked up the game-tying goal with just 4:27 remaining.

Forced to pull goaltender Dave Cinelli, the Pointers were unable to score and the Falcons added an empty net goal with 32 seconds left.

"We gave it our best shot, we played hard," Baldarotta added. "You have to get breaks along the way in order to get the chance to play for the national championship. We just didn't get any."

The season saw Baldarotta become UW-SP's all-time leader in coaching wins as he guided his team to a 17-11-1 overall record.

Joe's

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My companion stated that she had never had them. I explained that they were made from crab meat mixed with cream cheese and wrapped in a won-ton like shell.

We were treated to egg drop soup and cucumber salad as we were waiting.

The meals were brought out in due time and we dug in with vigor.

My suspicions were warranted, the Hibachi dishes were great! The Saki was...Saki. I guess you'll have to try it yourself.

In terms of service, I was not disappointed. Not only were the courses brought promptly, they were timed to give us the best opportunity to enjoy the fine food and company.

Sound Off!

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You see, although we tend to take life for granted, it is actually a rare and precious thing. Time we spend not enjoying life is wasted time indeed. And time we spend deliberately trying to prevent others from enjoying it is nothing less than destructive.

So, those of you who have taken the time to read this instead of rushing off on an errand, where you will fight with others for parking spots and the last dalmation Beanie Baby, please take a moment to consider how lucky you are to have all that you do. And any time you can spread the message, please do so; for, as stated by the *New Radicals* in their song, "you only get what you give."

Not that it's necessarily that easy. When I saw the nasty bumper sticker I mentioned before, my first instinct was to teach the truck's owner how wrong I felt his message was...by dragging him out of the truck and beating the tar out of him.

Letter

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computer restarted and didn't recognize the disk. If people can't figure out how to eject a disk and get floppy disks stuck in zip drives, how are they going to care for a \$2,000 laptop?

In addition to the fragile nature of laptops is the possibility of theft. Would you carry \$2,000 in your wallet anywhere? PCs are much more difficult to steal than laptops, because of their size and the fact that they are left in your home.

The university says at the end of your education, you could keep your computer or sell it back to the university for the market's going rate. Is this a joke? Your laptop will be almost worthless by the time you graduate. If you choose to sell it back you would be deemed "extremely lucky" to get more than \$200 for it.

College students use computers for e-mail, word processing, and the Internet. Is it necessary to do these things on a laptop? Sure it's really neat to do those things in the Sundial, outside on a beautiful day instead of cramped up inside a crowded computer lab, but is it worth an extra \$700 per year?

If the university wants to "create an exciting leading edge teaching/learning/education environment" it can do it by making additional computer labs or leasing real computers instead of "expensive toys." The publicity of this policy would sure help UW-SP, but would it help the students?

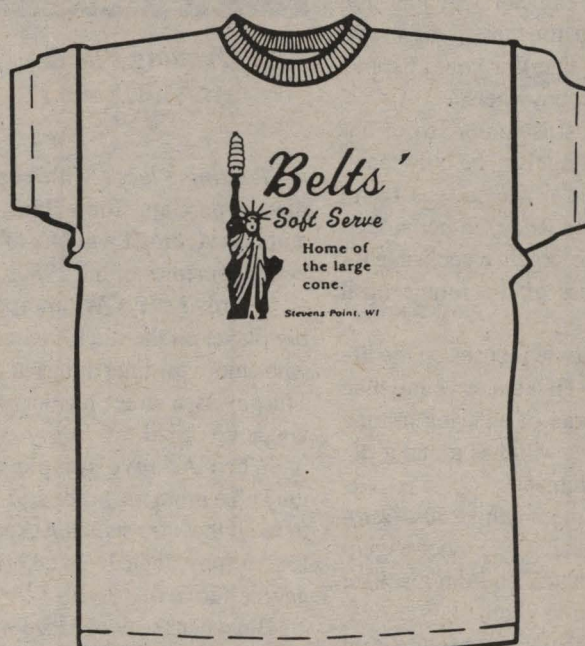
-Chris Race
UW-SP student

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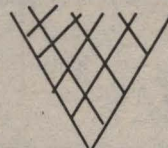
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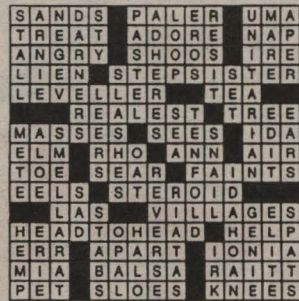
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